

Sahuaro Weekly Update

"Where neighbors help neighbors build community."



Councilmember Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona

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'08 Sahuaro District Spring Fling. Braxton Bilbrey, the youngest person ever to swim across the San Francisco Bay – from Alcatraz to San Francisco, will be Councilmember Frate's special guest at this year's Sahuaro District Spring Fling. Braxton will be there to raise awareness about drowning prevention.

You and your family are invited to attend the event from 11 a.m.– 2 p.m., Saturday, February 16, 2008. This family-friendly outdoor event will be held at the Paseo Ball Fields, 63rd Avenue and Thunderbird Road. [Read more.](#)

Pictured are Braxton and his family and coach at a recent get-together with Councilmember Frate. In front: Braxton and his brother Kaden, behind the boys are Councilmember Frate, Steve Bilbrey, Braxton's father, Joe Zemaitis, Braxton's coach and Stacey Bilbrey, Braxton's mother.

Northern Manor West II Improvements Funded by Neighborhood Grant

Program. Neighbors living in the Northern Manor West II HOA, now have enhanced common areas as a result of a \$20,500 grant awarded for the repaving of internal streets and the replacement of speed bumps.

The Citizen's Advisory Commission on Neighborhoods awarded the funds to the neighborhood.

Councilman Steve Frate recognized the neighbors for their efforts to improve their neighborhood during a plaque presentation on Saturday, Jan. 26.

The Northern Manor West II HOA is a registered neighborhood, located between Acoma Road and Crocus Drive from 57th to 59th avenues. It lists 197 households in the 25 year-old property.

The Neighborhood Partnership Office administers a grant program that funds revitalization projects twice a year to assist neighborhoods more than 15 years old. Citizen participation and involvement are key components of the program. All residents interested in participating in the Spring 2008 grants process will need to attend one of four orientation sessions, which will explain the guidelines of the grants program, eligible projects and how to complete the grant application.

For more information on the Spring 2008 Neighborhood Grants Program and orientation session dates, [click here](#) or call (623) 930-2868.



Pictured are: Kenny Fordyce, Councilmember Steve Frate, Don Pottenger, Eddie Paul, and Kevin Jackson, Neighborhood Partnerships Administrator.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR SUPER BOWL, FEB. 3

Game Day Traffic Information. Parking passes for game day can be purchased at www.clickandpark.com. Fans should follow the parking instructions on the parking pass and display the pass in the windshield. If a parking pass is not pre-purchased, cash parking is available at Kellis High School, located at 91st Avenue and Orangewood. Parking lots open at 9 a.m.

Road restrictions and closures will be in place on both Maryland Avenue and on 95th Avenue next to the stadium. Heavy traffic is expected on Loop 101 between Northern and Glendale avenues, as well as on Glendale Avenue.

There is no pick-up/drop-off for vehicles or shuttles on the day of the game. Taxis only may pick-up and drop-off in the White Lot. There are also no in and out privileges in any of the paid/pass parking lots.

In order to keep traffic moving, the Glendale Transportation Department will offer several traffic enhancements such as reversible lanes and dual turn lanes. A reversible lane will be put in place on 91st Avenue between Camelback and Bethany Home roads. Additional turn lanes will be provided along 91st Avenue between Northern Avenue and Camelback Road. Drivers are encouraged to follow signs and use all available lanes.

Game-Day Shuttle. Fans and event goers will have one more way to get to the stadium on game day. On Super Bowl Sunday, Feb. 3, the city of Glendale will offer a shuttle service, connecting Historic Downtown Glendale to the Sports and Entertainment District, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

Football fans looking to take part in the festivities going on in Glendale, tickets or not, will be able to start their day in downtown. The shuttle to the Sports and Entertainment District will pick up in the downtown and drop riders off at 93rd and Glendale avenues. Parking in downtown Glendale is free of charge and the cost for the shuttle is just \$5 round trip per person, and children under 10 years of age are free. Glendale's Game Day Shuttle will pick up riders at 58th Avenue and Glenn Drive, on the corner adjacent to the Glendale Visitor Center.

Visitor Center Open on Game Day. The Visitor Center, an official Arizona Information Center, will be open on Sunday, Feb. 3, between 10 a.m. to 10 p.m., to assist game-day fans with shopping, dining and entertainment before, after and during the Super Bowl. In addition, downtown Glendale businesses will extend business hours to allow visitors the opportunity to dine and shop throughout the day.

For more information, visit www.GlendaleGotGame.com.

Around Town

The Glendale Chocolate Affaire – Friday and Saturday. Glendale will be a chocolate lover's paradise on Friday, Feb. 1 and Saturday, Feb. 2. The Chocolate Affaire is a great event for families, couples, chocoholics and out of town visitors. Admission is free. [Read more.](#)

Last Weekend for NFL Experience. The NFL Experience is the most exciting continuous event surrounding Super Bowl XLII -- pro football's interactive theme park offering participatory games, displays, entertainment attractions, kids' clinics, free autograph sessions and the largest football card show ever. [Click here](#) for NFL Experience information.

Live at the Library. Join us for Glendale's Live at the Library, a free performing arts series, at 7 p.m. every Thursday evening in the auditorium of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. On February 7, Desert Dance Theatre Presents Highlights from "Sister Moses," excerpts from this beautiful dance drama about Harriet Tubman and her determination to free her people from slavery through the Underground Railroad. [Read more.](#)

Antique Tractor & Engine Show. Come and enjoy antique engine displays and demonstrations, tractor pulls and a tractor parade at Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic area Feb. 9-10, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. The event will also feature food and beverages, as well as kids' rides for a nominal fee. For more information, call (623) 435-3955. Admission is \$5 for adults, and kids age 12 and under are free.

Juried Art Show. The Juried Art Show will be held at Sahuaro Ranch Park Historic Area through Feb. 17. Enjoy original art works, ranging from paintings to sculpture, created by Arizona artists. This free show will be held Wednesdays – Fridays 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays 12-4 p.m.

Free CCC-CPR Class. Learn Continuous Chest Compression CPR on Wednesday, February 20 from 7-9 p.m. at Glendale City Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. Classes are held once a month at various locations throughout Glendale. To reserve a spot or learn more about CCC-CPR, [click here.](#)

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